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Re: National Stage of PCT/IB2003/004239
Method for Selecting the Polarization of the Laser Beam
Oscillating Inside a Laser Cavity
Agnesi et al.
Our Ref: METR0800US

Sir:

Small entity status is entitled to be asserted for the application which is transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 371, and includes the following:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 are:

1. Specification for examination having 36 pages, including 22 claims reflecting the application as last amended in the International stage - no new matter has been added;
2. Copy of the specification for PCT International Application No. PCT/IB2003/004239 as published by WIPO under International Publication No. WO 2004/030163, including drawings, as published by WIPO on April 8, 2004 and EPO International Search Report mailed August 19, 2004
3. Preliminary Amendment; and
4. Application Data Sheet.

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Respectfully submitted,



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